

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Liao et al. Case: 761/P7US/CVD

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Title: AN INTERCONNECT STRUCTURE FOR USE IN AN INTEGRATED

CIRCUIT

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 29, 2003

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2003 (Paper No. 1003), having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 29, 2004, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Applicants believe that a one-month extension fee is due in connection with this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any other fees, including additional extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.